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a. [] Computer Readable Copy

incorporated by reference therein.

6. [] Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)

b. [] Paper Copy (identical to computer copy)c. [] Statement Verifying identity of above copies

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8. [XX] Assignment Papers (cover sheet and document(s)) to: <u>Sumitomo Special Metals Co., Ltd.,</u>
<u>Osaka-shi, Japan</u>

Please publish the assignee data with the application.

7. [] Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)

9. [] 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee)

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